

What is claimed:

- 5      1. A necktie control device for use with a shirt having a plurality of shirt buttons and a necktie having a necktie label comprising:
  - a first cover adapted for engagement to and enclosure of a first one of the plurality of shirt buttons;
  - a second cover adapted for engagement to and enclosure of a second one of the plurality of shirt buttons;
  - a flexible connector engaged to the first cover and the second cover; andwherein the first cover or the second cover is adapted for passage between the necktie label and the necktie.
- 15     2. The first cover of claim 1 further comprising a front hingedly connected to a back.
3. The second cover of claim 1 further comprising a second front hingedly connected to a back.
- 20     4. The back of claim 2 further comprising a slot adapted for passage of a group of threads affixing the first one of the plurality of shirt buttons to the shirt.

5. The back of claim 3 further comprising a slot adapted for passage of a group of threads affixing the second one of the plurality of shirt buttons to the shirt.

6. The necktie control device of claim 1 wherein the connector comprises a chain.

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7. The chain of claim 6 further comprising a first end and a second end wherein the first end is connected to the first cover by a first ring and the second end is connected to the second cover by a second ring.

10 8. The first front of claim 2 further comprising a first flat circular top area adapted for placement of an artwork.

9. The second front of claim 2 further comprising a second flat circular top area adapted for placement of an artwork.

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10. The necktie control device of claim 1 where the first cover and the second cover are identical.

20 11. The connector of claim 1 wherein the length of the connector is in the range of approximately 3 1/2 inches to 4 inches.

12. The first cover of claim 2 wherein the top is engaged by a plurality of first posts when first cover is in a closed position.

13. The second cover of claim 2 wherein the top is engaged by a plurality of posts.
  14. The first back of claim 2 further comprising a first hinge that is of unitary construction with the first back.
  15. The second back of claim 2 further comprising a second hinge that is of unitary construction with the second back.
- 10 16. A necktie control device for use with a shirt having a plurality of shirt buttons and a necktie having a necktie label comprising:
- a first cover adapted for engagement to and enclosure of a first one of the plurality of shirt buttons;
  - a second cover adapted for engagement to and enclosure of a second one of the plurality of shirt buttons;
  - a flexible connector engaged to the first cover and the second cover; and
- wherein the first cover or the second cover is adapted for passage between the necktie label and the necktie;
- wherein the first cover comprises a first front hingedly connected to a first base;
- 20 wherein the second cover comprises a second front hingedly connected to a second base;
- wherein the base comprises an aperture and an opening wherein the slot is adapted for passage of a group of threads for affixing the first one of the plurality of shirt buttons to the shirt and the opening is adapted for receiving the group of threads; and

wherein the base comprises a slot and an opening wherein the slot is adapted for passage of a group of threads affixing the second one of the plurality of shirt buttons to the shirt.

17. The necktie control device of claim 16 wherein the connector comprises a chain.

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18. The chain of claim 17 further comprising a first end and a second end wherein the first end is connected to the first cover by a first ring and the second end is connected to the second cover by a second ring.

10 19. The first front of claim 16 further comprising a first flat circular top area adapted for placement of an artwork.

20, The second front of claim 16 further comprising a second flat circular top area adapted for placement of an artwork.

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21. The necktie control device of claim 16 where the first cover and the second cover are identical.

22. The connector of claim 16 wherein the length of the connector is in the range of  
20 approximately 3 ½ inches to 4 inches.

23. The first cover of claim 16 wherein the top and the slotted back may be engaged by a plurality of first posts.

24. The second cover of claim 16 wherein the top and the slotted back may be engaged by a plurality of second posts.

5 25. The first back of claim 16 further comprising a first hinge that is of unitary construction with the first back.

26. The second back of claim 16 further comprising a second hinge that is of unitary construction with the second back.

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27. A necktie control device for use with a shirt having a plurality of shirt buttons and a necktie having a necktie label comprising:

a first cover adapted for engagement to and enclosure of a first one of the plurality of shirt buttons;

15 a second cover adapted for engagement to and enclosure of a second one of the plurality of shirt buttons;

a flexible connector engaged to the first cover and the second cover; and

wherein the first cover or the second cover is adapted for passage between the necktie label and the necktie;

20 wherein the first cover comprises a first front hingedly connected to a first base;

wherein the second cover comprises a second front hingedly connected to a second base;

wherein the base comprises an slot and an opening wherein the slot is adapted for passage of a group of threads for affixing the first one of the plurality of shirt buttons to the shirt and the opening is adapted for receiving the group of threads;

5 wherein the base comprises an slot and an opening wherein the slot is adapted for passage of a group of threads affixing the second one of the plurality of shirt buttons to the shirt;

wherein the flexible connector comprises a first end and a second end;

wherein the first end is connected to the first cover by a first ring and the second end is connected to the second cover by a second ring;

10 wherein the first front further comprises a first flat circular top area adapted for placement of an artwork;

wherein the second front further comprises a second flat circular top area adapted for placement of an artwork;

wherein the first cover top and the back may be engaged by a plurality of first posts;

15 wherein the second cover top and the back may be engaged by a plurality of second posts;

wherein the first back comprises a first hinge that is of unitary construction with the first back; and

20 wherein the second back comprises a second hinge that is of unitary construction with the second back.

28. The necktie control device of claim 27 wherein the first cover and the second cover are identical.

29. The connector of claim 27 wherein the length of the connector is in the range of approximately 3 ½ inches to 4 inches.
- 5      30. The necktie control device of claim 27 wherein the connector comprises a chain.
31. A necktie control device comprising a set of two covers adapted for covering and engaging a corresponding set of two buttons on a shirt wherein the two covers are flexibly connected.

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